

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
ASHEVILLE DIVISION  
1:10cv295**

**JEROME HOUSTON, Administrator  
of the Estate of Kenyatta Houston; and  
the STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,  
ex rel., Jerome Houston, Administrator  
of the Estate of Kenyatta Houston,**

**Plaintiffs,**

**v.**

**JOHN T. McDEVITT, in his official  
capacity as Sheriff of Burke County;  
COY REID, in his official capacity as  
Sheriff of Catawba County; STEVE  
WHISNANT, in his official capacity as  
Administrator of the Burke-Catawba  
County Detention Facility; LYMAN  
MOODY WILLIAMS, in his  
individual and official capacities;  
JASON DEREK JOHNSON, in his  
official capacity; JOHN DOE No. 1, as  
surety for the Burke County Sheriff; and  
JOHN DOE No. 2, as surety for the  
Catawba County Sheriff,**

**Defendants.**

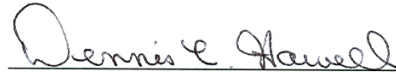
**ORDER**

Pending before the Court is the parties' Joint Motion to Stay Proceedings [#31]. The parties jointly request a thirty day stay of this case in order to confer in an attempt to resolve this litigation without the Court's intervention. The parties have a mediation scheduled for March 28, 2011.

For good cause shown, the Court **GRANTS** the Joint Motion to Stay Proceedings [#31]. The Court **STAYS** this case up to and including April 18, 2011.

The parties shall jointly file a status report with the Court by April 4, 2011, informing the Court of the results of the scheduled mediation and any settlement discussions.

Signed: March 22, 2011

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Dennis L. Howell  
United States Magistrate Judge

